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John Dalli
European Commissioner for Health and Consumer Policy
European Commission
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Belgium

Dear Mr. Dalli,

Greetings from London. I was tempted to write "Hello Dalli" or "Dear John" in the hope of eliciting a smile, but I wouldn't want a casual tone to detract from the serious matter I'm writing to you about. I was distressed to hear from PETA that the European Commission is considering delaying the 2013 deadline to end the sale of cosmetics tested on animals. I hope it's just a nasty rumor, but if there's any truth to it, please do right by the European citizens who overwhelmingly support the ban—as well as the thousands of animals affected—by honoring the original deadline.

I love cosmetics, but there's no reason for animals to suffer for lip gloss and eye-liner; those cruel tests are from another era. Today, there are effective and 100 percent humane *non*-animal testing methods. We also already know thousands of ingredients that have a long history of safe use. Hundreds of manufacturers have already been using them for years! Please, don't turn back the clock.

This legislation is a huge step forward and sets an example for countries around the world to eliminate animal testing for cosmetics. Please ensure that the ban moves forward without delay.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Pamela Anderson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the top and a long, sweeping underline.

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